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1. TITLE OF NEWSPAPER The Lennox Independent		2. DATE OF FILING 9/20/01	
3. FREQUENCY OF ISSUE weekly	3A. NO. OF ISSUES PUBLISHED ANNUALLY 52	3B. ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION PRICE \$25/\$30	
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5. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF THE HEADQUARTERS OR GENERAL BUSINESS OFFICES OF THE PUBLISHER (Not printer) 116 S. Main, PO Box 76, Lennox, SD 57039-0076			
6. FULL NAME OF PUBLISHER: Verlyn and Debbie Schmidt			
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FULL NAME Verlyn and Debbie Schmidt		COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS 27726 467th Ave., Lennox, SD 57039	
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Notary PublicMy commission expires July 10, 2003